

July 25, 2012

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Ex Parte Notice: Amendment of the Commission's Rules Related to Retransmission Consent MB Docket No. 10-71

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In compliance with Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, the undersigned submits this *ex parte* notice relating to the above-captioned proceeding.

On July 25, 2012, the undersigned, along with Jerald Fritz, Senior Vice President of Legal and Strategic Affairs of Allbritton Communications and Gabriel Brotman, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, gave Ryan Tharp, Jenny Bone, Meredith Rose, Jake McDermott and Peter Hart, each interns from Chairman Julius Genachowski's office and Ian Targovnik, Chad Guo and Erica Walker, interns from the Media Bureau, a tour of the WJLA, NewsChannel 8, and POLITICO facilities collocated here.

While we did not anticipate this tour would include any substantive policy discussions, several salient questions from FCC interns spurred a discussion on retransmission consent negotiations. We reiterated Allbritton Communications Company's longstanding position that the marketplace is working well and the Commission need not meddle in the retransmission negotiations between broadcasters and multichannel video providers.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, this *ex parte* notice is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Claire Magee

Assistant General Counsel